

PREVENTION COMMITTEE MEETING

November 12, 2009

Craig Comedy's Office

Members Present: Tracy Mason
Mary Haag
Craig Comedy
Ruth Satterfield
Bob Field

Members Absent: Doug Wentz
Bobbie Boyer
Sylvia Pacifico
Michael Langford

Others Present: Marilyn Maciejewski

The meeting was called to order by Craig.

The Minutes from the July 9th meeting were approved by Mary and second by Traci.

OPEC Focus Group Preparations.

Mary volunteered to lead the Focus group since Bob felt it would be more appropriate to be represented by a Certified Prevention Professional.

Potential discussion questions that need feed back from the group:

What are the benefits of the credential?

Ideas on the RA, merging OCPS I and OCPS II?

Values of the OCPS I vs. OCPS II

What changes are needed?

What challenges and barriers need to be resolved?

What does the Board need to do the increase accessibility?

Pro's and Con's

Perspectives

Pathway's to achieve credential

Thirty minutes is allowed for feed back. Hand-outs will be provided and e-mails will go to members for their responses. A Yahoo account will be set up for a follow up survey.

Craig suggested a need to offer something outside the OCPS II, possibly developing a certificate to reflect advance education and training in a specific content area.

Retain the RA as a means to practice while working towards meeting the requirements.

IC&RC will roll out the Supervisor's exam late in 2010 or early 2011.

The Board will offer the endorsement as an OPTION at a later time.

Ruth felt that supervision should be the responsibility of the employer and does not need to be an endorsement to our credential.

She feels the field needs the two levels:

OCPS I – That shows basic and fundamental prevention knowledge.

OCPS II- Verifies the additional education and experience.

She suggested that we check with agencies as to what specific skill sets would benefit them.

She suggested that the Board develop their own requirements within the general framework.

Bob suggested to focus on setting requirements to be more marketable and to allow options to specialize in specific areas.

Ruth felt we need to make education and trainings available.

Bob proposed to create a Training of Trainers and to develop a structure similar to the Institute for Human Services.

Scope of practice needs to be distinguished between the OCPS I and OCPS II.

Mary feels we need to deal with the degree before the scope is addressed.

Craig mentioned that the field is stagnant and needs bold changes.

Bob shared with the committee the public statement made from Hope Taft, “The Prevention certification needs greater access.”

The Sunshine Laws prohibit meeting participation by conference calls and requires face to face attendance.

Bob will investigate the possibility of making legislative changes to this Law.

Bob presented a draft of the Chart on Prevention Project Trackers and Tasks.

Next meeting is set for January 14, 2010 and future meetings will be scheduled for the second Thursday every other month, opposite the Board meetings.

Meeting adjourned.

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